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## CHAPTER REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This chapter is referred to in sections 150aa, 150dd, 150ee, 150jj, and 2811 of this title; title 39 sections 3014, 3015.

**§ 151. “Person” defined**

The word “person” as used in this chapter shall be construed to import both the plural and the singular, as the case demands, and shall include corporations, companies, societies, and associations.

(Aug. 20, 1912, ch. 308, § 11, 37 Stat. 319.)

## CODIFICATION

Section is comprised of a part of section 11 of act Aug. 20, 1912. Other provisions of section 11 are classified to section 153 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 14 of act Aug. 20, 1912, provided: “That this Act [enacting this chapter] shall become and be effective from and after the first day of October, nineteen hundred and twelve, except as herein otherwise provided.”

## SHORT TITLE

Act Aug. 20, 1912, as amended, which is classified to this chapter is popularly known as the “Nursery Stock Quarantine Act” and the “Plant Quarantine Act”.

## CROSS REFERENCES

Words denoting number, etc., see section 1 of Title 1, General Provisions.

**§ 152. “Nursery stock” defined**

For the purpose of this chapter the term “nursery stock” shall include all field-grown florists’ stock, trees, shrubs, vines, cuttings, grafts, scions, buds, fruit pits, and other seeds of fruit and ornamental trees or shrubs, and other plants and plant products for propagation, except field, vegetable, and flower seeds, bedding

plants, and other herbaceous plants, bulbs, and roots.

(Aug. 20, 1912, ch. 308, § 6, 37 Stat. 317.)

## CROSS REFERENCES

Regulations restricting importation of plants, etc., other than nursery stock, see section 159 of this title.

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 159 of this title; title 39 section 3014.

**§ 153. Liability of principal for act of agent**

When construing and enforcing the provisions of this chapter, the act, omission, or failure of any officer, agent, or other person acting for or employed by any corporation, company, society, or association, within the scope of his employment or office, shall in every case be also deemed to be the act, omission, or failure of such corporation, company, society, or association as well as that of the person.

(Aug. 20, 1912, ch. 308, § 11, 37 Stat. 319.)

## CODIFICATION

Section is composed of part of section 11 of act Aug. 20, 1912. Other provisions of section 11 are classified to section 151 of this title.

**§ 154. Importation of nursery stock****(a) In general**

No person shall—

(1) import or enter into the United States any nursery stock; or

(2) accept delivery of any nursery stock moving from any foreign country into or through the United States;

unless the movement is made in accordance with such regulations as the Secretary of Agriculture may promulgate to prevent dissemination into the United States of plant pests, plant diseases, or insect pests.

**(b) Regulations**

The regulations promulgated by the Secretary of Agriculture to implement subsection (a) of this section may include regulations requiring that nursery stock moving into or through the United States—

(1) be accompanied by a permit issued by the Secretary of Agriculture prior to the movement of the nursery stock;

(2) be accompanied by a certificate of inspection issued, in a manner and form required by the Secretary of Agriculture, by appropriate officials of the country or State from which the nursery stock is to be moved;

(3) be grown under postentry quarantine conditions by or under the supervision of the Secretary of Agriculture for the purposes of determining whether the nursery stock may be infested with plant pests or insect pests, or infected with plant diseases, not discernible by port-of-entry inspection; and

(4) if the nursery stock is found to be infested with plant pests or insect pests or infected with plant diseases, be subject to remedial measures the Secretary of Agriculture determines to be necessary to prevent the spread of plant pests, insect pests, or plant diseases.